

To: The Honorable Janice Brewer, Governor
The Honorable Andy Biggs, Senate President
The Honorable Andy Tobin, Speaker of the House

North Mountain Radiology Group provides professional medical imaging services at John C. Lincoln North Mountain Medical Center along with three outpatient facilities.

We are writing to express our enthusiastic support for the ACHHHS expansion proposed by Governor Brewer. We believe that its passage will be critical to the healthcare of our patients and community.

Keys to our support of the proposal include:

1. Addressing the health care needs of Arizonans while protecting the general fund.
2. Relief of the pressing burden of uncompensated care on our physicians and hospitals, particularly safety net hospitals such as John C. Lincoln.
3. Directly addressing the medical needs of more Arizonans including those facing cancer or other severely debilitating illnesses.
4. Less reliance on expensive emergency rooms for primary care.
5. Allow access to up to \$2 billion in federal dollars for the state's health care economy.
6. Important protections to Arizona if federal funding is withdrawn or materially reduced.
7. Support among stakeholders including the medical, business and advocacy communities.

We applaud Governor Brewer for initiating this difficult but important direction. This is the right thing for Arizona, our economy and our patients. We urge that you join us in supporting the passage of this important legislative initiative.

Respectfully,

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